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**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

This is a reply to the Advisory Action mailed September 19, 2005 setting a three (3) month statutory period for reply from the mailing date of the final rejection. A Request for Continued Examination (RCE) and a request for a three (3) month extension of time and appropriate fees are filed herewith.

Please enter the following remarks and amendments into the record.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begin on page 3 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 5 of this paper.